Issue of receipts to owner of Survey No. 432/17 of Pudupalli pakuti for royal trees felled from his compound.

346. **MR. V. J. OOMMEN** (*Commerce and Industry, North*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they or the contractor issued a receipt for the teak trees felled from Survey number 432/17 of the Pudupalli pakuti to the owner of the above property; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the date of issue of the receipt?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The Range Officer, Ettumanur Range, issued the receipt.

(*b*) 24th Minam 1105.

Check-measurements by Divisional Forest Officers of timber in Punalur, Tenmalai and Shencotta Depots.

347. **MR. R. KESAVA PILLAI** (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether measurements of timbers made and sent to the Depots by the Rangers are being check-measured by the Division Officers at the time they are received in the Depots; and

(*b*) if so, the number of such check-measurements made in the Punalur, Tenmalai and Shencotta Depots during the years 1104 and 1105?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) No timber is check-measured by the Divisional Forest Officer at the time it is received in the depot.

(*b*) This does not arise in view of the answer to part (*a*).

MR. R. KESAVA PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): May I know from the member whether the measurements of the timber made and sent to the Depot are accepted as true measurements by the Divisional Forest Officers?

MR. P. N KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): It is only at the time of the disposal of the timber, measurements are checked by Divisional Forest Officers.

MR. R. KESAVA PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): May I know whether any verification is made at any time after these timbers are sent to the Depot?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. R. KESAVA PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): May I know whether any difference in these measurements is recorded?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): That information is not just now available.

Health and Maternity Relief and Child Welfare work.

348. **MRS. ELIZABETH KURUVILA** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there are at present (5-1-1930) any efforts organised by Government in the nature of Health and Maternity Relief and Child Welfare work apart from the Women's Hospital; and

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(*b*) whether they propose to take any measures to organise such work in the near future ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) None.

(*b*) The Public Health Organisation has included this item in its programme for 1105.

MRS. ELIZABETH KURUVILA (*Nominated*) : It is said that "the Public Health Organisation has included this item in its programme for 1105." May I know to what extent it has advanced so far ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*) : Details are being worked out.

MRS. ELIZABETH KURUVILA (*Nominated*) : May I know what kind of details ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*) : I am unable to furnish that. The scheme is under consideration of the Administrative Board, Medical Services, who are charged with the function of working out the details.

Women's Hospital, Alleppey.

349. **MR. P. S. MAHOMED** (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to state the progress the Medical Department has made till now (20-5-1105) as regards the Hospital for Women at Alleppey ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*) : The Inspecting Medical Officer inspected three sites for a hospital for Women at Alleppey and has selected one as most suitable for the purpose. A reference has been made to the Land Revenue Commissioner about the sites.

Report of the Trivandrum Minor Irrigation Committee.

350. **MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI** (*Trivandrum cum Neduvangad*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) when the report of the Trivandrum Minor Irrigation Committee was received by them ;

(*b*) the number of tanks mentioned therein as demanding "emergent", "very urgent" and "urgent" attention in respect of restoration or repair ; and

(*c*) the number so far (24-5-1105) repaired or restored ?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) The report was received in Chingam 1100.

(*b*) The member is referred to appendix B of the report on the Minor Irrigation Works in the Trivandrum taluk. A copy of the report is available for reference in the Legislative Council Library.

(*c*) 25.

Cemeteries.

351. **MR. A. C. KURIAKOSE** (*Minachil cum Devicolam*) : (1) Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether there is provision in any Statute requiring sanction for the construction of cemeteries in non-municipal areas ;

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